President: The question before the House is that Government be granted a sum of Rs. 46,705 under Demand XX—Forests including Director of Development.

The motion was put and carried.

The grant was made.

DEMAND XXVII—STATIONERY AND PRINTING.

Mr. M. K. Nilakanta Aiyar: Sir, I beg to move for an additional grant of Rs. 50,000 under Demand XXVII—"Stationery and Printing", under item "Printing of Malayalam Readers and Copy Books."

In the year 1114, unlike in the previous years, Government took up the printing of forty items of text books on various subjects besides the usual Malayalam readers. This involved an additional expenditure of Rs. 35,438. This amount had to be met from the current year's allotment of Rs. 40,000. The balance left is thus only Rs. 4,000 and odd. At the time when the Budget was prepared Government had no idea as to the amount required since the printing was done mostly in private presses and since the bills were received only late. This year too text books have to be printed. Hence this additional allotment.

Mr. K. K. Kuruvilla: May I know from the Government who is responsible for the reading of proofs of these readers that are printed?

Mr. M. K. Nilakanta Aiyar: The Director of Public Instruction.

Mr. K. K. Kuruvilla: Sir, I do not know whether he has the time to go through these readers. Those of us who peruse the pages of these readers know that there are several mistakes in the pages of these readers.

Mr. M. K. Nilakanta Aiyar: There are a number of proof readers in the Government Press and they will do the proof correction work. There is a staff in the Director's Office also to scrutinise the work of the proof readers. Government are aware that some mistakes were committed last time. This was due mainly to want of time. Instructions have been issued to see that such mistakes are not repeated.

Mr. K. K. Kuruvilla: Sir, some of the mistakes committed are tremendous and Government should take care that such mistakes do not occur.

Mr. M. K. Nilakanta Aiyar: Government have issued instructions in the matter.

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Mr. M. K. Ananthasiva Aiyar: May I know whether the proof readers are able to correct the inconsistencies contained in these books?

Mr. M. K. Nilakanta Aiyar: No, Sir.

Mr. M. K. Ananthasiva Aiyar: May I know whether the Government are aware that there are inconsistencies in these books?

Mr. M. K. Nilakanta Aiyar: Certain mis-statements have been brought to the notice of Government and the attention of the Director of Public Instruction has been drawn to them.

Mr. V. S. Arumukham Pillai (*Tovala* cum *Agastees-waram*): Are there not several sub-committees formed for the purpose of preparing these readers?

Mr. M. K. Nilakanta Aiyar: Yes. These sub-committees work directly under the Director of Public Instruction.

Mr. M. K. Ananthasiva Aiyar: Are they not responsible for the correction?

Mr. M. K. Nilakanta Aiyar: The honourable member is correct.

Mr. V. S. Arumukham Pillai: Are they paid any honorarium?

Mr. M. K. Nilakanta Aiyar: Yes, they are paid some honorarium.

President: The question before the House is that Government be granted a sum of Rs. 50,000 under Demand XXVII—Stationery and Printing, under item 'Printing of Malayalam Readers and Copy Books."

The motion was put and carried.

The grant was made.

Mr. Puthupally S. Krishna Pillai: I request you, Sir, to exercise your powers in effecting some change in the order of the business for the day. I would suggest that the report of the Public Service Commissioner be taken up for consideration first and the report of the Public Accounts Committee taken as the last item.

President: I am in the hands of the House.

The motion was put and carried.

DISCUSSION OF THE REPORT ON THE WORKING OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE RECRUITMENT RULES.

Dr. G. D. Nokes (*Public Service Commissioner*): Sir, I move that the Report on the working of the Public Service Recruitment Rules be taken into consideration.

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